# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
                               ) Criminal No.
           v.
                                 In violation of:
JOSEPH CARAMADRE
                               ) <u>Counts 1 to 26</u>: 18 U.S.C. § 1343
                                 (Wire Fraud)
     and
                               ) Counts 27-32: 18 U.S.C. § 1341
RAYMOUR RADHAKRISHNAN
                                 (Mail Fraud)
     Defendants.
                               ) Count 33: 18 U.S.C. § 371
                               ) (Conspiracy)
                               ) Counts 34-59: 18 U.S.C. § 1028(a)(7)
                               ) (Identity Fraud)
                               ) Counts 60-64: 18 U.S.C. §1028A(a)(1)
                               ) (Aggravated Identity Theft)
                               ) <u>Count 65</u>: 18 U.S.C. §§
                               ) 1957(a) and (b)(1) and (2)
                               ) (Money Laundering)
                               ) Count 66: 18 U.S.C. § 1512(b)(3)
                               ) (Witness Tampering)
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#### INDICTMENT

The Grand Jury charges that:

# GENERAL ALLEGATIONS PARTIES, PERSONS and ENTITIES

At all times relevant to this Indictment, unless stated herein:

Defendant JOSEPH CARAMADRE ("CARAMADRE") was a licensed attorney and a certified public accountant. In addition,

from at least in or about 1995 through at least in or about August 2003, CARAMADRE was licensed to market insurance products and securities.

- 2. CARAMADRE did business through an entity called Estate Planning Resources. On or about January 18, 2006, in the State of Rhode Island, CARAMADRE caused Estate Planning Resources, Inc. ("Estate Planning Resources") to be incorporated. CARAMADRE was the President, CEO and majority owner of Estate Planning Resources.
- Planning Resources were located at 51 Jefferson Boulevard,
  Warwick, Rhode Island. From 1997 until November 2007, the
  offices of Estate Planning Resources were located at 400
  Reservoir Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island. In or about
  November 2007, the offices of Estate Planning Resources moved
  to 1000 Chapel View Boulevard, Suite 270, Cranston, Rhode
  Island, where they remained through at least December 2010.
- From in or about July 2007 through at least December 2010, defendant RAYMOUR RADHAKRISHNAN ("RADHAKRISHNAN") was an employee of Estate Planning Resources.
- JOHN DOE #1, an unindicted co-conspirator whose true identity is known to the Grand Jury, was a licensed insurance broker who was registered with broker-dealer Lifemark Securities, Corp. ("Lifemark"), headquartered in Rochester,

New York. Although JOHN DOE #1 never had an ownership interest in Estate Planning Resources, he maintained an office within the office space of Estate Planning Resources.

- identity is known to the Grand Jury, was a licensed insurance broker. From in or about November 2000 through in or about October 2006, JOHN DOE #2 was registered with Lifemark. From in or about October 2006 though 2009, JOHN DOE #2 was registered with broker-dealer The Leaders Group, Inc., ("Leaders Group"), headquartered in Littleton, Colorado.
- 7. In or about 2006, JOHN DOE #2 became the owner of twenty percent of Estate Planning Resources.
- 8. JOHN DOE #3, an unindicted co-conspirator whose true identity is known to the Grand Jury, was a licensed insurance broker who was registered with broker-dealer Fortune Financial Services, Inc. ("Fortune Financial"), headquartered in New Brighton, Pennsylvania.
- 9. Numerous persons and corporate entities, both known and unknown to the Grand Jury, made investments through CARAMADRE and Estate Planning Resources and are collectively referred to herein as "investors" or "CARAMADRE's clients."
- 10. The following corporate entities (collectively, "Broker-Dealers") acted as intermediaries between customers and
  Insurance Companies: LifeMark; Leaders Group; Fortune

Financial; and Sammons Securities Corp. ("Sammons").

The following corporate entities (collectively, the 11. "Insurance Companies") offered for sale investment products known as variable annuities (hereinafter "annuities"): Metropolitan Life Insurance Company ("MetLife"), Genworth Life Insurance Company ("Genworth"), Midland National Life Insurance Company ("Midland National"), Hartford Life Insurance Company ("Hartford Life"), ING Life Insurance & Annuity Company ("ING"), Western Reserve Life Insurance Company ("Western Reserve"), Transamerica Life Insurance Company ("Transamerica"), Jefferson National Life Insurance Company ("Jefferson National"), Minnesota Life Insurance Company ("Minnesota Life"), Nationwide Life Insurance Company ("Nationwide"), Pacific Life Insurance Company ("Pacific Life"), Golden American Life Insurance Company ("Golden American"), Allmerica Financial Life Insurance and Annuity Company ("Allmerica"), AXA Equitable Life Insurance Company ("AXA Equitable"), American Skandia Life Assurance Company ("American Skandia"), Lincoln Benefit Life Company ("Lincoln Benefit"), Security Benefit Life Insurance Company ("Security Benefit"), Travelers Life and Annuity Company ("Travelers"), The Life Insurance Company of Virginia ("Life of Virginia"), and American National Insurance Company ("American National").

- The following corporate entities (collectively the "Bond 12. Issuers") offered for sale to the public corporate bonds that contained survivorship options: American General Financial, Inc., Bank of America, Bank Hapoalim BM, Bear Stearns Co., Carolina First Bank, Caterpillar Financial Services, Corp., CIT Group, Inc., Compass Bank, Countrywide Financial, Corp., Countrywide Home Loan, Inc., Fannie Mae, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., Federal National Mortgage Association, Federated Capital, Corp., First Bank Pr., Ford Motor Credit Corp., Freddie Mac, General Electric Corp., General Motors, Corp., Genworth, GMAC, John Hancock Life Insurance Co., Hartford Life, Hartford Life Global, HSBC Financial, International Lease Finance Corp., Lassalle Bk Na Chicago Ill., Lassalle Fndg LLC, Lehman Bros Holdings, Inc., Marshall & Isley Corp, MBIA Inc., Mercantile Bk Orlando Fl, Merrill Lynch Co., Protective Life, Provident Bank of Cincinnati, OH, Providian Natl Bank, Prudential Financial, SLM Corp., Standard FedBank Troy Mich., Tennessee Valley Authority, and Western Bank Pr.
- 13. The following corporate entities (collectively "the Brokerage Houses") were entities through which individuals could open brokerage accounts in which death-put bonds could be purchased: TD Ameritrade Inc. ("Ameritrade"), E\*Trade Securities, LLC ("E\*Trade"), Lifemark Securities Corp.

("Lifemark"), Pershing LLC ("Pershing"), Scottrade, Inc.

("Scottrade"), Fidelity Investments ("Fidelity"), Kane Reid
Securities Group, Inc., d/b/a TradeKing ("TradeKing") and
Charles Schwab & Co, Inc. ("Charles Schwab").

# OVERVIEW OF VARIABLE ANNUITIES

- 14. Under the terms of certain variable annuities offered by the Insurance Companies, individuals or corporations could deposit funds with the Insurance Companies and select a specific fund or sub-account in which their monies would be deposited. On an application to open an annuity, the applicant could identify who the annuitant would be and choose the "annuitization date" the date on which the annuity payments would commence.
- 15. In addition to providing the owner of an annuity with the opportunity to invest his/her money in a variety of funds, the Insurance Companies also offered certain death benefits to be payable upon the death of the annuitant. The death benefits varied by company, but always included a guarantee that all premiums previously paid by the annuity owner would be returned, regardless of the cash value in the annuity at the time of death. This death benefit guaranteed that, upon the death of the annuitant, the annuity owner would, at a minimum, receive the full amount of money paid into the annuity and therefore would not sustain any actual

losses incurred in the investment.

- 16. In addition to guaranteeing a return of premiums paid, many of the Insurance Companies offered other benefits that were triggered by the death of the annuitant. These benefits included a guaranteed rate of return, often in the amount of 5-7 percent per year. Under the terms of this death benefit, the annuity owner would be guaranteed a specified rate of return upon the death of the annuitant, irrespective of any actual losses that had occurred in the annuity investment.
- additional benefits to the annuity owner, including paying bonus payments of up to five percent of all amounts deposited into the annuity. Some Insurance Companies also offered "death benefit riders" and "earning enhancement riders," under which the Insurance Companies would pay additional sums upon the death of the annuitant.
- 18. Under federal regulations, insurance brokers such as

  CARAMADRE, JOHN DOE #1, JOHN DOE #2 and JOHN DOE #3 were not

  permitted to submit applications for annuities directly to

  the Insurance Companies. Rather, Broker-Dealers (such as

  LifeMark and Leaders Group) were required to act as

  intermediaries between the customer and the Insurance

  Companies. One of the primary duties of the Broker-Dealers

  was to determine whether an annuity was "suitable" for the

particular customer. The Broker-Dealers examined a number of factors when making this suitability determination, including the time horizon for the investment, the investment experience of the investor, the source of funds, and the annual income and net worth of the investor.

#### OVERVIEW OF DEATH-PUT BONDS

- 19. Under the terms of the prospectuses issued with certain corporate bonds, the Bond Issuers allowed for bonds to be owned jointly by two individuals with rights of survivorship. These corporate bonds typically had a maturity date a date at which the bonds could be redeemed at full face value that was years or decades away. These bonds were available for purchase on the secondary market for a price below the full face value. However, under the terms of the survivorship provisions in the prospectuses authorizing the issuance of the bonds, the bonds could be redeemed at full face value by a bond owner immediately upon the death of the bond's co-owner.
- 20. These corporate bonds with survivorship clauses, known in the industry and referred to herein as "death-put bonds," allowed for full, immediate redemption of the full face value of the bond as if the maturity date had arrived upon the death of one of the two co-owners of the bond.

21. Individuals wishing to jointly own death-put bonds could do so through a brokerage account with rights of survivorship in the names of the two individuals who are to own the bonds jointly. The brokerage accounts relevant to this Indictment were all opened through the Brokerage Houses identified in Paragraph 13 above.

# COUNTS 1 through 26 (Wire Fraud) 18 U.S.C. § 1343

The allegations contained in paragraph one (1) through twenty one (21) of the General Allegations of this Indictment are realleged and are incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

### THE FRAUD SCHEME

23. From an unknown date, but at least as early as in or about January 1995, and continuing through in or about August 2010, in the District of Rhode Island and elsewhere, the defendants

# JOSEPH CARAMADRE and RAYMOUR RADHAKRISHNAN

knowingly devised and intended to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud, and for obtaining money and property by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations and promises.

# OBJECTS OF THE SCHEME TO DEFRAUD

- 24. It was the object of the scheme to defraud for CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN to unlawfully enrich themselves, JOHN DOE #1, JOHN DOE #2, JOHN DOE #3, and CARAMADRE's friends, family members and clients by fraudulently obtaining millions of dollars from the Insurance Companies and Bond Issuers.
- 25. It was further an object of the scheme to defraud for CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN to obtain the identity information and signatures of terminally-ill and elderly individuals for use in furtherance of their scheme to obtain money from the Insurance Companies and Bond Issuers.
- 26. It was further an object of the scheme to defraud for CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN to profit from the deaths of terminally-ill and elderly individuals. Using the identity information of terminally-ill and elderly people, CARAMADRE, RADHAKRISHNAN and others known and unknown to the Grand Jury caused to be purchased over 200 annuities, deposited at least \$125,000,000 into these annuities and fraudulently obtained more than \$15,000,000 from the Insurance Companies. Moreover, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN used the identity information of terminally-ill and elderly people to open approximately 77 brokerage accounts in which thousands of death-put bonds were purchased. Upon the deaths of the terminally-ill individuals, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN, together with

others known and unknown to the Grand Jury, exercised the survivorship options in these death-put bonds and fraudulently obtained more than \$10,000,000 from the Bond Issuers.

#### THE MANNER AND MEANS OF THE SCHEME TO DEFRAUD

The manner and means by which defendants CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN accomplished the objects of the scheme to defraud included, among others, the following:

27. It was part of the scheme to defraud that CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN fraudulently obtained millions of dollars by making material misrepresentations and omissions to (1) terminally-ill and elderly people, their family members and care-givers, in order to obtain identity information and signatures for use in furtherance of the scheme; (2) Insurance Companies; (3) Bond Issuers; and (4) intermediaries, including Brokerage Houses and Broker-Dealers.

#### Genesis of the scheme

28. It was part of the scheme to defraud that CARAMADRE devised a strategy in which annuities and death-put bonds would be purchased using the names of terminally-ill and elderly individuals with short life expectancies as annuitants and account co-owners. This strategy guaranteed the return of principal (and other death benefits) on all

annuities purchased and allowed for the redemption of deathput bonds at full face value upon the deaths of the

terminally-ill and elderly individuals. CARAMADRE employed
this strategy with respect to annuities from at least 1995
through 2010 and with respect to death-put bonds from 2006
through 2010. RADHAKRISHNAN joined the scheme when he was
hired by CARAMADRE in 2007. The success of this strategy
depended on using the names, social security numbers, dates
of birth and other identifying information (hereinafter
"identity information") of large numbers of terminally-ill
and elderly individuals.

# Obtaining the identity information of terminally-ill people

- 29. It was further part of the scheme to defraud that, beginning as early as 1995 and continuing throughout the scheme, CARAMADRE obtained and caused to be obtained the identity information of terminally-ill and elderly individuals by means of false and materially misleading representations and omissions. CARAMADRE then used the identity information of the terminally-ill and elderly individuals to enrich himself, RADHAKRISHNAN, JOHN DOE #1, JOHN DOE #2, JOHN DOE #3, his family, friends and clients.
- 30. It was further part of the scheme to defraud that

  CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN sought individuals with a life

  expectancy of six months or less to serve as annuitants on

annuities. CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN sought individuals with a life expectancy of three months or less to serve as co-owners of death-put bonds.

- 31. It was further part of the scheme to defraud that during the mid-1990's, CARAMADRE obtained and used the identity information of terminally-ill people suffering from Acquired Immunity Deficiency Syndrome ("AIDS") in Rhode Island compassion centers.
- Tt was further part of the scheme to defraud that

  CARAMADRE obtained and used the identity information of
  elderly and terminally-ill individuals who had previously
  purchased life insurance policies or conducted other business
  through Estate Planning Resources or through CARAMADRE's law
  practice, and thereby had already provided their identity
  information.
- 33. It was further part of the scheme to defraud that in or about October 2007, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN placed an advertisement ("the advertisement") in the Rhode Island Catholic newspaper, previously known as The Providence Visitor, for the purpose of identifying terminally-ill individuals to be used in furtherance of their fraud scheme. The advertisement (and subsequent versions thereof) ran weekly until in or about December 2008. The advertisement provided that a "Compassionate Organization" and a "Church

Benefactor" were providing a \$2,000 cash gift to terminallyill individuals and their families that could be used for any purpose, including funeral expenses, healthcare costs and gifts to family members.

- 34. It was further part of the scheme to defraud that the advertisement did not, in any way, indicate that the terminally-ill individuals would be asked to provide their social security numbers, dates of birth and other identifying information so that the defendants could enrich themselves and others by investing in financial products that allowed them to profit upon the deaths of the terminally-ill individuals.
- 35. It was further part of the scheme to defraud that

  CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN obtained the identity information

  of terminally-ill individuals who responded to the

  advertisement by means of materially false and misleading

  representations and omissions.
- in or about November 2007 through in or about 2009,

  RADHAKRISHNAN met with terminally-ill individuals and their family members who responded to the advertisement. During the initial meeting, RADHAKRISHNAN informed these individuals that he worked for a philanthropist who wished to help terminally-ill individuals by giving them funds, typically in

the amount of \$2,000.

- 37. It was a further part of the scheme to defraud that during the initial meeting with the terminally-ill individual and/or their family members, RADHAKRISHNAN made an assessment of the likely amount of time the individual had left to live. If the individual appeared to RADHAKRISHNAN to have a life expectancy greater than six months, RADHAKRISHNAN provided the individual with the initial \$2,000 check and ceased further contact with the ill individual. If, however, RADHAKRISHNAN concluded that the individual was likely to die within weeks or months, he informed the terminally-ill individual and/or family member, at the conclusion of the initial meeting, that he had good news for them and that more funds may soon become available.
- 38. It was a further part of the scheme to defraud that during the initial meeting with the terminally-ill individual, RADHAKRISHNAN obtained the signature of the terminally-ill individuals on a document entitled "Terminal Illness Philanthropy Account Receipt," which merely documented that the individuals had received \$2,000.

  CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN then, for a number of individuals, copied and forged the signatures of the terminally-ill individuals on applications to open joint brokerage accounts.

- 39. It was a further part of the scheme to defraud that, for individuals determined to have a short life expectancy, RADHAKRISHNAN often held a second meeting with the terminally-ill individuals and/or their family members.

  During this second meeting, RADHAKRISHNAN informed the terminally-ill individuals and/or their family members that he had received approval from the philanthropist to provide them with additional funds, typically in the amount of \$3,000-\$4,000.
- during this second meeting, RADHAKRISHNAN gave the terminally-ill individuals and/or their family members signature pages to sign. These signature pages were typically pages from applications to open annuities and/or brokerage accounts using the identities of the terminally-ill individuals. In order to cause the terminally-ill individuals and/or their family members to sign these signature pages, RADHAKRISHNAN made numerous material misrepresentations and omissions to the terminally-ill individuals and their family members, including:
  - a. stating or indicating that the purpose of the documents they were asked to sign was simply to document the charitable giving for the records of the purported philanthropist, CARAMADRE;

- b. informing the terminally-ill individuals that the purpose of the documents they were asked to sign was to open an insurance policy or an account in which a family member of the terminally-ill individual would be the beneficiary;
- c. informing the terminally-ill individuals that the purpose of the documents they were asked to sign was to open an account, the profits of which would be utilized to assist other terminally-ill individuals;
- d. informing the terminally-ill individuals that the purpose of the documents they were asked to sign was to open an account that would provide a "tax shelter" or other tax benefits to others; and
- e. intentionally failing to inform the terminally-ill individuals that CARAMADRE and others stood to make substantial profits upon their deaths.
- CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN falsely advised certain terminally-ill individuals and/or their family members that they would not be liable for any losses that could potentially occur in the accounts on which they were identified as co-owners. In truth and in fact, CARAMADRE proceeded to purchase financial products on margin in these accounts and thereby exposed the terminally-ill co-owners to

liability for any losses that ensued.

- It was a further part of the scheme to defraud that CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN falsely represented to terminally-ill individuals, their family members and their care-givers that the terminally-ill individuals could not incur any tax obligations for monies paid to them.
- CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN falsely represented to terminally-ill individuals, their family members and their care-givers that the provision of funds by CARAMADRE need not be reported to the government and that it could have no effect on the terminally-ill persons' eligibility to receive government benefits such as Medicaid and Supplemental Security Income (SSI).
- It was further part of the scheme to defraud that

  CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN proceeded to use the identity

  information of the terminally-ill and elderly individuals,

  without their knowledge or consent, on applications to

  purchase annuities and to open joint brokerage accounts with

  rights of survivorship.
- 45. It was a further part of the scheme to defraud that in instances where CARAMADRE or RADHAKRISHNAN received consent from a terminally-ill individual to use his/her name on a single or small number of annuities, CARAMADRE and

RADHAKRISHNAN proceeded to apply for numerous annuities in which that terminally-ill individual was named as the annuitant, without his/her knowledge or consent.

It was a further part of the scheme to defraud that once CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN obtained or forged the signatures of the terminally-ill individuals on account-opening documents, they submitted applications to open annuities and brokerage accounts in which the terminally-ill individuals were identified as the annuitants or co-owners.

### Falsely notarizing signatures of terminally-ill people

47. It was a further part of the scheme to defraud that

CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN caused employees of Estate

Planning Resources to falsely notarize the signatures of some

of the terminally-ill individuals.

### Misrepresentations to Nurses and Social Workers

CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN told social workers and nurses, including those working for Home and Hospice Care of Rhode Island and the Visiting Nurses Association, that they were solely operating a philanthropic program and that terminally-ill individuals would receive a gift of \$2,000, with "no strings attached." CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN intentionally concealed from these social workers and nurses that CARAMADRE and others stood to make a substantial profit upon the deaths

of their patients. From in or about November 2007 through in or about February 2009, these social workers and nurses referred terminally-ill patients to CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN, without knowledge that their patients were being asked to provide their social security numbers and other identifying information so that the defendants could enrich themselves and their clients by opening brokerage accounts and annuities in the names of their patients.

### Recruitment of Investors

CARAMADRE attracted capital from wealthy and prominent individuals and corporations as investors by telling them that he discovered a "loophole" which permitted the use of terminally-ill persons as "measuring lives," or annuitants, on annuities and co-owners on joint brokerage accounts used to purchase death-put bonds. CARAMADRE entered into profitsharing agreements with some of these outside investors, pursuant to which CARAMADRE received a significant percentage of all profits earned.

#### Sharing of Commissions

DOE #1 and JOHN DOE #2 received millions of dollars in commissions from the Insurance Companies for the annuities purchased using terminally-ill and elderly annuitants. Upon

receipt of these commissions, JOHN DOE #1 and JOHN DOE #2 shared their commissions with CARAMADRE. After CARAMADRE gave up his securities license in or about 2003, he was prohibited under the securities laws from sharing commissions earned by licensed agents on the sale of securities such as annuities. To disguise the fact that he was sharing commissions from the sale of annuities, CARAMADRE instructed JOHN DOE #1 to falsely indicate on checks payable to CARAMADRE that the commission-sharing payments he was making were for "legal fees" or "rent."

# Misrepresentations to Corporate Entities

It was further part of the scheme to defraud that

CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN made and caused to be made

material misrepresentations and omissions to various

corporate entities, including Insurance Companies, Bond

Issuers, Broker-Dealers and Brokerage Houses.

#### Misrepresentations to Insurance Companies

Tt was part of the scheme to defraud that CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN fraudulently represented to Insurance Companies that the terminally-ill persons named as annuitants knowingly and intentionally agreed to do so by submitting applications which contained signatures obtained by fraud and the identity information of terminally-ill individuals, without their knowledge or consent.

- It was a further part of the scheme to defraud that JOHN DOE #1, with the knowledge of and at the direction of CARAMADRE, falsely and fraudulently represented to Insurance Companies that some of the annuity owners were "friends," "clients" or "acquaintances" of the terminally-ill individuals who were named as annuitants.
- It was a further part of the scheme to defraud that after their agency relationships were terminated by various Insurance Companies upon discovery that the annuity applications involved terminally-ill individuals, CARAMADRE, JOHN DOE #1 and JOHN DOE #2 proceeded to submit applications to other Insurance Companies that were unaware of the scheme.
- It was a further part of the scheme to defraud that after a number of the Insurance Companies had terminated CARAMADRE, JOHN DOE #1 and JOHN DOE #2, CARAMADRE enlisted the assistance of JOHN DOE #3. JOHN DOE #3, at the behest of CARAMADRE, agreed to submit applications for annuities using terminally-ill individuals as annuitants to the same Insurance Companies that had already terminated CARAMADRE, JOHN DOE #1 and JOHN DOE #2 for this activity.

### Misrepresentations to LifeMark

- It was further part of the scheme to defraud that

  CARAMADRE and JOHN DOE #1 made material misrepresentations to representatives of Broker-Dealer Lifemark, in order to conceal and further the fraud scheme.
- 57. It was a further part of the scheme to defraud that CARAMADRE and JOHN DOE #1 provided false information to representatives of LifeMark concerning the manner in which the annuitants and co-owners for brokerage accounts were identified and whether they were being paid by CARAMADRE.
- It was a further part of the scheme to defraud that JOHN DOE #1, with the knowledge of and at the direction of CARAMADRE, falsely submitted forms to Lifemark attesting that the annuitants had not received any compensation.
- 59. From at least in or about November 2006 through at least in or about March 2008, JOHN DOE #1, with the knowledge of and at the direction of CARAMADRE, provided false information to Lifemark concerning the relationship between the annuitants and the owners of the annuities, including CARAMADRE.

# Misrepresentations to Brokerage Houses

- RADHAKRISHNAN falsely represented to the Brokerage Houses that the terminally-ill persons named as co-owners of joint brokerage accounts knowingly and intentionally agreed to become co-owners by submitting applications which contained signatures of terminally-ill persons which were forged or obtained by fraud.
- CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN provided false contact information (including false phone numbers, e-mail addresses and street addresses) for the terminally-ill individuals identified as co-owners on the applications to open brokerage accounts. Defendants intentionally provided false contact information for the terminally-ill individuals so as to make it more difficult for the respective companies to make contact with the terminally-ill individuals and to prevent the terminally-ill individuals and their families from learning about the existence of the accounts.
- 62. It was a further part of the scheme to defraud that

  CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN provided false and fraudulent

  information concerning the finances and investment history of
  the terminally-ill individuals listed as co-owners of the

  brokerage accounts.

From in or about January 2008 through in or about 63. September 2008, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN made misrepresentations to representatives from Brokerage Houses concerning the purpose of the numerous joint accounts that had been opened in the names of CARAMADRE and other individuals (who, unbeknownst to the Brokerage Houses, were all terminally-ill). CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN falsely told Brokerage House representatives that the co-owners of the accounts (the terminally-ill individuals) were estate planning clients of CARAMADRE, that a portion of the invested funds came from the co-owners and that "succession plans" had been created in which the profits made in the accounts would flow to the estates of the co-owners upon their deaths. Moreover, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHAN intentionally withheld from the Brokerage Houses that the co-owners were terminallyill.

# Obtaining Death Certificates

CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN obtained death certificates following the deaths of the terminally-ill individuals by falsely representing to city and town officials throughout the State of Rhode Island that CARAMADRE was acting as the attorney for the deceased individuals and that death certificates were sought for estate planning purposes. In

truth and in fact, CARAMADRE was not the attorney for these terminally-ill individuals and the death certificates were not sought for estate planning purposes. Rather, the death certificates were sought so that CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN could submit the death certificates to Insurance Companies and Bond Issuers in order to enrich themselves and others.

#### Efforts to Conceal the Scheme

- CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN took steps to conceal their use of terminally-ill individuals from the Insurance Companies, Broker-Dealers, Brokerage Houses and Bond Issuers.
- It was a further part of the scheme to defraud that, to avoid detection by the Insurance Companies, CARAMADRE, RADHAKRISHNAN, JOHN DOE #1, JOHN DOE #2 and JOHN DOE #3 caused to be opened numerous annuities with a smaller amount of funds and then made larger deposits of funds into the annuities once the companies approved the applications and issued the policies.
- 67. It was a further part of the scheme to defraud that

  CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN attempted to avoid detection of
  their use of terminally-ill annuitants by delaying the
  submission of death claims following the death of the
  annuitants. By delaying the submission of death claims,
  defendants delayed the time by which the Insurance Companies

were able to learn that the annuitants had died shortly after the issuance of the annuities.

- CARAMADRE concealed his true ownership in many of the annuities and bonds by purchasing the annuities and bonds in the names of his relatives, in the name of D.D. (CARAMADRE's accountant), in the name of W.C. (another attorney associated with Estate Planning Resources), in the name of corporations CARAMADRE established and in the name of RADHAKRISHNAN (collectively, the "nominee owners").
- CARAMADRE used his law practice to conceal the scheme through various methods, including depositing checks jointly payable to deceased co-owners into CARAMADRE's law office account, by seeking death certificates falsely claiming he was the attorney for the deceased, and by representing to companies that he was the attorney for the terminally-ill individuals so as to prevent the companies from communicating directly with the terminally-ill individuals.

# SPECIFIC INSTANCES BY WHICH THE OBJECTS OF THE FRAUD SCHEME WERE ACCOMPLISHED

In furtherance of the scheme to defraud, and to accomplish its objects, the following specific acts, among numerous others, were committed in the District of Rhode Island and elsewhere:

#### Caramadre uses AIDS Patients as Annuitants

- To or about 1995 and 1996, CARAMADRE visited a Rhode

  Island compassion center for terminally-ill AIDS patients in
  an attempt to obtain the identity information of AIDS

  patients. CARAMADRE met with several persons suffering from

  AIDS, including Getahun Aynalem ("Aynalem"). CARAMADRE paid

  several AIDS patients for their identity information.

  CARAMADRE offered to pay Aynalem for his identity
  information, but Aynalem refused.
- 71. In or about 1996, the exact date being unknown, CARAMADRE obtained Aynalem's identity information.
- 72. On or about November 6, 1996, CARAMADRE, acting as a registered representative, submitted to Allmerica an application to purchase an annuity using Aynalem's identity information and listing Aynalem as the annuitant, without Aynalem's knowledge or consent.
- 73. On or about October 24, 1995, CARAMADRE caused annuity applications to be submitted to Golden American which named a terminally-ill person suffering from AIDS, Sara Paneto

- ("Paneto"), as the annuitant on behalf of CARAMADRE clients, "FC," and "NM."
- On or about February 23, 1998, at the behest of CARAMADRE, JOHN DOE #2 caused an annuity application to be submitted to Life of Virginia using Paneto as the annuitant on behalf of a CARAMADRE client, "VF."
- 75. On or about January 31, 2000, at the behest of CARAMADRE, JOHN DOE #1 caused an annuity application to be submitted to Pacific Life using Paneto as the annuitant on behalf of a CARAMADRE client, "VF."
- On or about April 3, 2001, CARAMADRE caused death benefit claims to be submitted to Golden American which falsely represented the existence of a relationship between Paneto and CARAMADRE's clients, the contract owners, "FC," and "NM."

# <u>Caramadre obtains and uses</u> <u>Deborah Blowers' identity information</u>

77. In or about February of 1995, CARAMADRE contacted the spouse of a terminally-ill person, Deborah Blowers ("Blowers"), and offered to obtain a small life insurance policy for Blowers. In the course of obtaining this life insurance policy, CARAMADRE obtained Blowers' identity information, including her name, date of birth, and social security number.

From on or about April 13, 1995, through on or about September 28, 1995, CARAMADRE submitted applications to Golden American to purchase four different annuities naming Blowers as the annuitant. These annuity applications were each submitted by CARAMADRE without the knowledge or consent of Blowers or her spouse. These annuities were owned by four of CARAMADRE's clients and CARAMADRE received a commission on the sale of each of these annuities.

# <u>Caramadre continues to use</u> terminally-ill people as annuitants

- 79. On or about July 30, 2002, CARAMADRE, acting as a registered representative, submitted an application to purchase an annuity to Pacific Life using a terminally-ill person, Angela Ancona, as the annuitant on behalf of a CARAMADRE client, "NM."
- On or about August 15, 2003, at the behest of CARAMADRE,

  John Doe #1 submitted an application to purchase an annuity

  to Nationwide using a terminally-ill person, Carl Ruggieri,

  as the annuitant on behalf of a CARAMADRE client, "GH."
- 81. On or about October 23, 2003, CARAMADRE purchased a variable annuity for himself from Genworth using a terminally-ill person, Carl Ruggieri, as the annuitant.

# Caramadre uses the identity information of a family member

- In or about September 2004, CARAMADRE agreed to draft a will for Alfred LaMonte ("LaMonte"), who was terminally-ill.

  LaMonte was the father of CARAMADRE's brother-in-law.

  CARAMADRE falsely told LaMonte and LaMonte's son that

  LaMonte's signature was needed so that a donation could be made to a charity in LaMonte's name.
- From on or about October 12, 2004, through on or about April 28, 2005, CARAMADRE caused to be purchased from Travelers and Genworth four annuities naming LaMonte as the annuitant. These annuities, which were owned by CARAMADRE, his wife and his parents, were purchased without LaMonte's knowledge or consent.

# Caramadre uses the identity information of clients and acquaintances

- 84. Robert Mizzoni ("Mizzoni") was the childhood bus driver of CARAMADRE who later became an insurance client. In or about May 2004, CARAMADRE purchased an annuity for himself from Nationwide using Mizzoni's identity information and naming Mizzoni as the annuitant, without Mizzoni's knowledge or consent. On the annuity application, CARAMADRE falsely provided his parents' address as the address of Mizzoni.
- Donald Duarte ("Duarte") was a terminally-ill person who was an acquaintance of CARAMADRE. In or about November 2006, CARAMADRE met with Duarte and his spouse. CARAMADRE made

material misrepresentations and omissions to Duarte and Duarte's spouse. At CARAMADRE's direction, JOHN DOE #1 subsequently met with Duarte and Duarte's spouse and obtained Duarte's signature.

- 86. On or about November 7, 2006, CARAMADRE opened a joint brokerage account for himself at Pershing, naming Duarte as the co-owner, without the knowledge or consent of Duarte or his spouse.
- 87. On or about December 1, 2006, CARAMADRE purchased an annuity from Jefferson National for himself through a nominee entity, ADM Associates, using Duarte as the annuitant, without the knowledge or consent of Duarte or his spouse.
- 88. Norman Robichaud ("Robichaud") was a terminally-ill person whose spouse worked in the same building as CARAMADRE. In or about September 2007, Robichaud and his spouse allowed CARAMADRE to use Robichaud's name on a small number of annuities in exchange for \$5,000. CARAMADRE then proceeded, without Robichaud or his spouse's knowledge or consent, to open approximately eleven (11) annuities naming Robichaud as the annuitant, as well as a joint brokerage account naming Robichaud as the co-owner. Neither Robichaud nor his spouse agreed to open a brokerage account.

# Misrepresentations to Those Who Responded to Advertisement in Catholic Newspaper

placed an advertisement that ran weekly in the Rhode Island Catholic newspaper, previously known as The Providence Visitor. This advertisement provided a telephone number for terminally-ill individuals to call to receive \$2,000. This advertisement (and its subsequent iterations) provided that a "Compassionate organization" and a "Church benefactor" were providing a \$2,000 cash gift to terminally-ill individuals and their families that could be used for any purpose, including funeral expenses, healthcare costs and gifts to family members.

# Forging the Signatures of Terminally-Ill Individuals Who Responded to Advertisement

90. From in or about November 2007 through in or about April 2009, RADHAKRISHAN met with dozens of terminally-ill individuals who responded to the advertisement that had been placed in the Rhode Island Catholic. During the initial meeting, RADHAKRISHNAN obtained the signature of the terminally-ill individual on a document that was unrelated to the opening of any kind of account or annuity, typically a document titled "Terminal Illness Philanthropy Account Receipt." After obtaining the signature of the terminally-ill individuals on this document, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHAN

proceeded to forge the signatures of a number of these individuals on applications to open joint brokerage accounts in their names.

### Forgeries of Bertha Howard's Signature

- 91. In or about January 2008, RADHAKRISHNAN met twice with a terminally-ill person, Bertha Howard ("Howard"), and her daughter. After providing false and misleading information concerning the purpose of an account that was to be opened in Howard's name, RADHAKRISHAN attempted to secure the signatures of Howard on an application to open an Ameritrade brokerage account. Howard, however, was too ill to provide a legible signature.
- 92. Without the knowledge and consent of Howard or her daughter, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN proceeded to cause Howard's signature to be forged five times on an application to open a joint brokerage account at Ameritrade between Howard and W.C., an associate of and nominee for CARAMADRE.

#### Forgeries of Dennis Flori's Signature

93. In or about April 2008, RADHAKRISHNAN met twice with a terminally-ill person, Dennis Flori, Sr. ("Flori"), and members of his family. RADHAKRISHNAN falsely told Flori and his family that an account would be opened on behalf of Flori's family solely as an act of philanthropy. After obtaining Flori's identity information and signature on a

document, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN submitted an application to Ameritrade to open an account in the names of CARAMADRE and Flori which contained forgeries of Flori's signature.

# Forgeries of Sonia Gonzalez's Signature

- 94. In or about April 2008, Sonia Gonzalez ("Gonzalez"), a
  45 year-old Rhode Islander, was terminally-ill with breast
  cancer and was hospitalized at Women and Infants' Hospital in
  Providence, Rhode Island.
- 95. On or about April 3, 2008, RADHAKRISHAN visited

  Gonzalez, her husband, her sister and a nurse in Gonzales'
  hospital room. During this meeting, RADHAKRISHAN provided
  Gonzalez with a \$2,000 check made payable to Gonzalez's
  sister and explained that these funds were a charitable gift.
  RADHAKRISHNAN also caused Gonzalez to sign a document titled
  "Terminal Illness Philanthropy Account Receipt," documenting
  that Gonzales had received this \$2,000.
- 96. On or about April 8, 2008, CARARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN caused to be filed with Ameritrade an application to open a joint brokerage account in the names of CARAMADRE and Gonzalez which contained forged signatures of Gonzalez.

# Forgeries of John Kivalos' Signature

- 97. On or about June 12, 2008, RADHAKRISHNAN met with John Kivalos ("Kivalos"), a terminally-ill person, and his wife.

  During this meeting, RADHAKRISHNAN provided Kivalos with a check for \$2,000 and indicated that the funds were a charitable gift.
- 98. On or about June 13, 2008, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN submitted an application to Ameritrade to open a joint brokerage account in the names of CARAMADRE and Kivalos which contained forged signatures of Kivalos.

### Forgeries of Pia Bernardo's Signature

99. On or about June 17, 2008, RADHAKRISHNAN met with Pia Bernado ("Bernado"), a terminally-ill person, and her daughter. RADHAKRISHNAN fraudulently obtained Bernado's identity information including her name, date of birth, social security number, and her mother's maiden name. After obtaining Bernado's identity information, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN proceeded to cause Bernado's signature to be forged five times on an application to open a joint brokerage account at Ameritrade between Bernado and CARAMADRE. On one of the forged signatures, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN caused the wrong first name for Bernado to be forged.

### Using Signatures of Terminally-Ill Individuals Obtained by Fraud

- In addition to forging the signatures of a number of 100. terminally-ill individuals, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN obtained signatures of numerous other terminally-ill individuals on brokerage account and annuity opening documents by means of false misrepresentations and omissions. RADHAKRISHNAN gave a variety of false explanations as to why their signatures were required, including misrepresenting the nature and purpose of documents the terminally-ill persons were asked to sign. CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN concealed from the terminally-ill individuals and their family members the essential truth of why they were seeking their signatures: so that CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN could cause death-put bonds and annuities to be purchased in the names of the terminally-ill individuals, thereby generating substantial profits for CARAMADRE upon their deaths.
- 101. On or about January 14, 2008, RADHAKRISHNAN met with

  Patrick Garvey and made false representations and omissions
  to obtain Garvey's signature.
- 102. On or about January 18, 2008, RADHAKRISHNAN met with

  James Kimball and his friend and made false representations

  and omissions to obtain Kimball's signature.
- On or about February 2, 2008, RADHAKRISHNAN met with Charles Perry and his wife and made false representations and

omissions to obtain Perry's signature.

- On or about February 8, 2008, RADHAKRISHNAN met with

  Antonio DeCastro and his daughter and made false
  representations and omissions to obtain DeCastro's signature.
- On or about February 26, 2008, RADHAKRISHNAN met with Edwin Rodriguez and made false representations and omissions to obtain Rodriguez's signature.
- 106. On or about March 4, 2008, RADHAKRISHNAN met with John Lang and his wife and made false representations and omissions to obtain Lang's signature.
- 107. On or about March 19, 2008, RADHAKRISHNAN met with Donna Perotta and her sister-in-law and made false representations and omissions to obtain Perotta's signature.
- On or about April 1, 2008, RADHAKRISHNAN met with

  Michael Mallane and his wife and made false representations

  and omissions to obtain Mallane's signature.
- On or about April 2, 2008, RADHAKRISHNAN met with the granddaughter of Vincent Moretti, an elderly Rhode Islander, and made false representations and omissions to cause Moretti's granddaughter to sign documents on Moretti's behalf.
- 110. On or about May 5, 2008, RADHAKRISHNAN met with Augusta
  Escobar de Rodas and her grandson and made false
  representations and omissions to obtain Escobar de Rodas'

signature.

- 111. On or about June 18, 2008, RADHAKRISHNAN met with Arthur Culotta and his children and made false representations and omissions to obtain Culotta's signature.
- On or about June 24, 2008, RADHAKRISHNAN met with Robert Cazeault and his wife and made false representations and omissions to obtain Cazeault's signature.
- On or about June 30, 2008, RADHAKRISHNAN met with the son of Hattie Strobel, an elderly Rhode Islander, and made false representations and omissions to induce Srobel's son to sign documents on Strobel's behalf.
- On or about August 11, 2008, RADHAKRISHNAN met with

  Maria Nina and her daughter and made false representations

  and omissions to obtain Nina's signature.
- On or about September 11, 2008, RADHAKRISHNAN met with Sandra Bulpitt and her husband and made false representations and omissions to obtain Bulpitt's signature.
- 116. On or about November 19, 2008, RADHAKRISHNAN met with

  Nathan Lee and his friend and made false representations and
  omissions to obtain Lee's signature.
- On or about February 1, 2009, RADHAKRISHNAN met with

  Richard Wiley and made false representations and omissions to

  obtain Wiley's signature.
- 118. On or about February 24, 2009, RADHAKRISHNAN met with

- William Hazelwood and his wife and made false representations and omissions to obtain Hazelwood's signature.
- 119. On or about March 20, 2009, RADHAKRISHNAN met with Bruce Marshall and his wife and made false representations and omissions to obtain Marshall's signature.
- 120. On or about March 27, 2009, RADHAKRISHNAN met with Linda Barbeau and her daughter and made false representations and omissions to obtain Barbeau's signature.

#### Misrepresentations to Midland National

- 121. On or about June 28, 2006, JOHN DOE #1, at the direction of CARAMADRE, submitted an application to Midland National to purchase an annuity. The application listed the owner of the annuity to be J.R., a client of CARAMADRE, and the annuitant to be Robert Carnevale, a terminally-ill Rhode Islander.
- 122. On or about July 13, 2006, JOHN DOE #1, at the direction of CARAMADRE, falsely informed a representative of Midland National, that J.R. and her husband were friends of Robert Carnevale.
- On or about December 20, 2006, JOHN DOE #1, at the direction of CARAMADRE, submitted to Midland National an application to purchase an annuity. The application listed the owner of the annuity to be T.M., a client of CARAMADRE, and the annuitant to be Donald Duarte, a terminally-ill Rhode Islander.

- On or about January 2, 2007, JOHN DOE #1, at the direction of CARAMADRE, falsely informed a representative of Midland National that T.M. and Donald Duarte were acquaintances.
- On or about July 3, 2007, JOHN DOE #1, at the direction of CARAMADRE, submitted an application to Midland National to purchase an annuity. The application listed the owner to be CARAMADRE and the annuitant to be Lily Ianiero, a terminally-ill Rhode Islander. The application falsely identified Lily Ianiero to be a client of CARAMADRE.
- On or about July 6, 2007, JOHN DOE #1, at the direction of CARAMADRE, falsely informed a representative of Midland National that he believed that CARAMADRE and Lily Ianiero shared a "friendship relationship" as well as a "client relationship."
- On or about December 1, 2007, RADHAKRISHNAN applied to open an annuity at Midland National with annuitant Denise Egan, a terminally-ill Rhode Islander. On the application form, RADHAKRISHNAN falsely stated that he and Egan were friends.
- 128. On or about December 1, 2007, RADHAKRISHNAN wrote a \$20,000 check to Midland National to accompany the application he submitted to purchase an annuity with Denise Eqan. On or about February 25, 2008, RADHAKRISHNAN wrote an

additional check from his personal bank account to Midland National for \$780,000 to be added to the Egan annuity.

Unbeknownst to Midland National, all of the money invested into this annuity belonged to CARAMADRE.

On or about December 13, 2007, RADHAKRISHNAN completed a Sammons Security Company Client Data Sheet that was required to purchase the Midland National annuity with Denise Egan.

On this Client Data Sheet, RADHAKRISHNAN falsely wrote that he was employed at a company called Networked Display Systems, where he had an annual income of greater than \$250,000 and a net worth of greater than \$1,000,000.

#### Misrepresentations to American National

- On or about June 13, 2007, JOHN DOE #1, at the direction of CARAMADRE, submitted to American National an application to purchase an annuity. The application listed the owner of the annuity to be E.R., a client of CARAMADRE, and the annuitant to be Robert Carnevale, a terminally-ill Rhode Islander.
- On or about June 21, 2007, JOHN DOE #1 sent an e-mail to a representative of American National, falsely stating that E.R. and Robert Carnevale were friends.

#### Misrepresentations to Lifemark

- On or about November 7, 2006, JOHN DOE #1, at the direction of CARAMADRE, submitted an application to Lifemark to open a joint brokerage account between CARAMADRE and Donald Duarte, a terminally-ill Rhode Islander.
- 133. On or about November 8, 2006, JOHN DOE #1 sent an e-mail to a Lifemark representative, falsely stating that CARAMADRE and Donald Duarte had a "business affiliation."
- On or about March 12, 2008, JOHN DOE #1 submitted to

  Lifemark a Transamerica annuity application in which the

  owner was E.R., a client of CARAMADRE, and the annuitant was

  Patrick Garvey.
- 135. On or about March 17, 2008, JOHN DOE #1 sent an e-mail to a Lifemark representative, falsely stating that Patrick Garvey was a client of EPR and that Garvey and CARAMADRE had a "business relationship."
- JOHN DOE #1's offices within Estate Planning Resources,

  CARAMADRE made misrepresentations to LifeMark

  representatives, including falsely representing that the

  individuals listed as annuitants were not being compensated

  in any way and that some of these individuals had agreed to

  serve as annuitants because CARAMADRE, at the request of the

  local Catholic Diocese, had paid for the funeral expenses of

- a family member.
- 137. On or about May 12, 2008, JOHN DOE #1 submitted a

  Hartford Life annuity application to Lifemark in which the
  listed owner was JOHN DOE #2 and the annuitant was Lucille
  Horton, a terminally-ill Rhode Islander.
- 138. On or about May 12, 2008, JOHN DOE #2 executed a

  Lifemark "Assurances of Annuity Owner" form, in which he
  falsely represented that Horton had not received any
  compensation in exchange for being named as an annuitant.

#### Misrepresentations to Ameritrade

- July 8, 2008, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN opened approximately 35 joint brokerage accounts at Ameritrade.

  These Ameritrade accounts were owned jointly by CARAMADRE (or one of his nominee owners) and terminally-ill Rhode

  Islanders. In these accounts, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN purchased thousands of death-put bonds. Upon the deaths of the terminally-ill co-owners, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN caused these bonds to be redeemed at full face value, generating millions of dollars in profit.
- 140. On or about January 4, 2008, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN submitted an application to Ameritrade to open a joint brokerage account in the names of CARAMADRE and Patrick Garvey. On the application to open this account and the

accompanying Margin/Options Account Upgrade Form, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN provided a false telephone number for Garvey and provided false information concerning Garvey's finances, investment experience and investment objectives.

- 141. On or about January 18, 2008, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN submitted an application to Ameritrade to open a joint brokerage account in the names of CARAMADRE and James Kimball, a terminally-ill Rhode Islander. On the application to open this account and the accompanying Margin/Options Account Upgrade Form, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN provided a false telephone number for Kimball and provided false information concerning Kimball's finances, investment experience and investment objectives.
- RADHAKRISHNAN submitted an application to Ameritrade to open a joint brokerage account in the names of W.C. and Antonio DeCastro, a terminally-ill Rhode Islander. Although W.C. is listed as the primary owner on this account, all funding for this account came from CARAMADRE. On the application to open this account and the accompanying Margin/Options Account Upgrade Form, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN provided a false telephone number for DeCastro and provided false information concerning DeCastro's finances, investment experience and investment objectives.

- 143. In or about February 2008, CARAMADRE made false representations to an Ameritrade representative concerning CARAMADRE's investment strategy, his relationship with the co-owners on his brokerage accounts and the source of funding for these accounts.
- on or about March 4, 2008, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN submitted an application to Ameritrade to open a joint brokerage account in the names of CARAMADRE and Edwin Rodriguez. On the application to open this account and the accompanying Margin/Options Account Upgrade Form, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN provided a false telephone number for Rodriguez and provided false information concerning Rodriguez's finances, investment experience and investment objectives.
- On or about March 6, 2008, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN made false representations to an Ameritrade official concerning CARAMADRE's relationship with the account co-owners and the source of funding for the joint brokerage accounts.
- on or about April 22, 2008, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN submitted an application to Ameritrade to open a joint brokerage account in the names of CARAMADRE and Dennis Flori, a terminally-ill Rhode Islander. The application forms contained forgeries of Flori's signature.

- 147. On or about June 17, 2008, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN submitted an application to Ameritrade to open a joint brokerage account in the names of CARAMADRE and Pia Bernardo, a terminally-ill Rhode Islander. The signatures of Bernardo on the application opening documents were forged.
- on or about June 27, 2008, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN submitted an application to Ameritrade to open a joint brokerage account in the names of CARAMADRE and Robert Cazeault, a terminally-ill Rhode Islander. On the application to open this account and the accompanying Margin/Options Account Upgrade Form, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN provided a false telephone number for Cazeault and provided false information concerning Cazeault's finances, investment experience and investment objectives.

#### Misrepresentations to E\*Trade

August 20, 2008, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN opened approximately eight joint brokerage accounts at E\*Trade.

These E\*Trade accounts were owned jointly by CARAMADRE and terminally-ill Rhode Islanders. In these accounts, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN purchased numerous death-put bonds. Upon the deaths of the terminally-ill co-owners, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN caused these bonds to be redeemed at full face value, generating substantial profits.

- 150. On or about August 7, 2008, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN submitted an application to E\*Trade to open a joint brokerage account in the names of CARAMADRE and Betty Esser, a terminally-ill Rhode Islander. On the application to open this account and the accompanying Options Trading Application, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN provided a false telephone number for Esser and provided false information concerning Esser's investment experience.
- 151. On or about August 11, 2008, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN submitted an application to E\*Trade to open a joint brokerage account in the names of CARAMADRE and Maria Nina, an elderly Rhode Islander. On the application to open this account and the accompanying Options Trading Application, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN provided a false telephone number for Nina and provided false information concerning Nina's investment experience.
- On or about August 11, 2008, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN caused an employee of Estate Planning Resources to falsely notarize Nina's signature on a document submitted to E\*Trade granting power of attorney to RADHAKRISHNAN.
- 153. On or about September 5, 2008, CARAMADRE and
  RADHAKRISHNAN met with representatives of E\*Trade at the
  offices of Estate Planning Resources. During this meeting,
  CARAMADRE made false and fraudulent representations to

E\*Trade representatives concerning the purpose of the eight E\*Trade joint accounts, the relationship between CARAMADRE and the co-account owners and the source of funding for the accounts.

#### Misrepresentations to Charles Schwab

- April 8, 2009, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN opened approximately 7 joint brokerage accounts at Charles Schwab.

  These Charles Schwab accounts were owned jointly by CARAMADRE, CARAMADRE's wife, RADHAKRISHNAN, and others associated with CARAMADRE together with terminally-ill Rhode Islanders. In these accounts, CARAMADRE, RADHAKRISHNAN and others purchased hundreds of death-put bonds. Upon the deaths of the terminally-ill co-owners, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN caused these bonds to be redeemed at full face value, generating substantial profits.
- 155. On or about February 4, 2009, CARAMADRE and
  RADHAKRISHNAN submitted an application to Charles Schwab to
  open a joint brokerage account in the names CARAMADRE's wife
  and Michael Sgambato. On the application to open this
  account, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN provided a false
  telephone number and e-mail address for Sgambato and provided
  false information concerning Sgambato's income, net worth and
  investment experience.

- RADHAKRISHNAN submitted an application to Charles Schwab to open a joint brokerage account in the names of RADHAKRISHNAN and William Hazelwood, a terminally-ill Rhode Islander.

  Although RADHAKRISHNAN is listed as the primary owner on this account, all funding for this account came from CARAMADRE.

  On the application to open this account, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN provided a false telephone number and e-mail address for Hazelwood and provided false information concerning Hazelwood's income, net worth and investment experience.
- 157. On or about March 20, 2009, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN submitted an application to Charles Schwab to open a joint brokerage account in the names of JOHN DOE #2's wife and Bruce Marshall, a terminally-ill Rhode Islander. On the application to open this account, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN provided a false telephone number and e-mail address for Marshall and provided false information concerning Marshall's income, net worth and investment experience.
- 158. On or about March 27, 2009, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN submitted an application to Charles Schwab to open a joint brokerage account in the names of W.C. and Linda Barbeau, a terminally-ill Rhode Islander. On the application to open this account, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN provided a false

telephone number and e-mail address for Barbeau and provided false information concerning Barbeau's income, net worth and investment experience.

#### Misrepresentations to TradeKing

- From on or about February 2, 2009, through on or about February 5, 2009, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN caused to be opened two brokerage accounts at TradeKing. In these accounts, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN purchased numerous death-put bonds. Upon the deaths of the terminally-ill co-owners, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN caused these bonds to be redeemed at full face value, generating substantial profits.
- 160. On or about February 2, 2009, CARAMADRE and
  RADHAKRISHNAN submitted an application to TradeKing to open a
  joint brokerage account in the names of CARAMADRE's wife and
  Richard Wiley, a terminally-ill Rhode Islander. On the
  application to open this account, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN
  provided a false telephone number for Wiley and provided
  false information concerning Wiley's income, net worth and
  investment experience.

#### Misrepresentations Made to Secure Death Certificates

On or about May 6, 2008, RADHAKRISHNAN executed an Application for a Certified Copy of a Death Record at the Town Hall of Cranston, Rhode Island, in an effort to obtain the death certificate of Vincent Moretti, who had been a co-

owner with CARAMADRE on an Ameritrade brokerage account. In this Application, RADHAKRISHNAN falsely represented that Estate Planning Resources was a law firm representing Moretti and that the death certificate was sought for "estate planning" purposes.

- Application for a Certified Copy of a Death Record at the Town Hall of Coventry, Rhode Island, in an effort to obtain the death certificate of Donna Perotta, who had been a co-owner with CARAMADRE on an Ameritrade brokerage account. In this Application, RADHAKRISHNAN falsely represented that Estate Planning Resources was a law firm representing Perotta and that the death certificate was sought for "estate planning" purposes.
- Application for a Certified Copy of a Death Record at the Town Hall of Johnston, Rhode Island, in an effort to obtain the death certificate of Michael Mallane, who had been a co-owner with W.C. on an Ameritrade brokerage account. In this Application, RADHAKRISHNAN falsely represented that Estate Planning Resources was a law firm representing Mallane and that the death certificate was sought for "estate planning" purposes.

#### Execution of the Scheme: Wires

On or about the dates specified below, in the District of Rhode Island and elsewhere, for the purpose of executing the aforementioned scheme and artifice to defraud, and attempting to do so, and aiding and abetting each other, the defendants,

#### JOSEPH CARAMADRE and RAYMOUR RADHAKRISHNAN

did knowingly transmit and cause to be transmitted by means of wire communication in interstate commerce the materials set forth below:

Count	Date	Terminally Ill Person	From	То	Material
1	2/13/08	Antonio DeCastro	Citizens Bank account of Law Offices of Joseph Caramadre	First Nat'l Bank of Omaha, f/b/o TD Ameritrade	Wire transfer of \$200,000 into joint Ameritrade account of DeCastro
2	3/5/08	John Lang	Citizens Bank account of Law Offices of Joseph Caramadre	First Nat'l Bank of Omaha, f/b/o TD Ameritrade	Wire transfer of \$200,000 into joint Ameritrade account of Lang
3	3/26/08	Michael Mallane	Citizens Bank account of W.C.	First Nat'l Bank of Omaha, f/b/o TD Ameritrade	Wire transfer of \$200,000 into joint account of W.C. & Michael Mallane
4	4/23/08	Vincent Moretti	Estate Planning Resources	Ameritrade	Facsimile transmission of joint account application
5	6/16/08	Robert Mizzoni	Estate Planning Resources	Nationwide Life Insurance Company	Facsimile transmission of "fund to fund" exchange authorization
6	6/1.8/08	Pia Bernardo	Citizens Bank account of Law Offices of Joseph Caramadre	First Nat'l Bank of Omaha, f/b/o TD Ameritrade	Wire transfer of \$300,000 into joint Ameritrade account of Bernardo

7	6/24/08	John Gonsalves	Citizens Bank account of Law Offices of Joseph Caramadre	First Nat'l Bank of Omaha, f/b/o TD Ameritrade	Wire transfer of \$30,000 into joint Ameritrade account of Gonsalves
8	6/25/08	Dennis Flori	Citizens Bank account of Law Offices of Joseph Caramadre	First Nat'l Bank of Omaha, f/b/o TD Ameritrade	Wire transfer of \$15,000 into joint Ameritrade account of Flori
9	6/25/08	Edwin Rodriguez	Citizens Bank account of Law Offices of Joseph Caramadre	First Nat'l Bank of Omaha, f/b/o TD Ameritrade	Wire transfer of \$280,000 into joint Ameritrade account of Rodriguez
10	6/25/08	James Kimball	Citizens Bank account of Law Offices of Joseph Caramadre	First Nat'l Bank of Omaha, f/b/o TD Ameritrade	Wire transfer of \$20,000 into joint Ameritrade account of Kimball
11	6/30/08	Robert Cazeault	Citizens Bank account of Law Offices of Joseph Caramadre	First Nat'l Bank of Omaha, f/b/o TD Ameritrade	Wire transfer of \$300,000 into joint Ameritrade account of Cazeault
12	7/1/08	Hattie Strobel	Citizens Bank account of Law Offices of Joseph Caramadre	First Nat'l Bank of Omaha, f/b/o TD Ameritrade	Wire transfer of \$300,000 into joint Ameritrade account of Strobel
13	7/23/08	Charles Perry	Citizens Bank account of Law Offices of Joseph Caramadre	First Nat'l Bank of Omaha, f/b/o TD Ameritrade	Wire transfer of \$10,000 into joint Ameritrade account of Perry
14	8/13/08	Maria Nina	Estate Planning Resources	E*Trade	Facsimile transmission of joint account application
15	8/13/08	John Kivalos	Citizens Bank account of Law Offices of Joseph Caramadre	First Nat'l Bank of Omaha, f/b/o TD Ameritrade	Wire transfer of \$20,000 into joint Ameritrade account of Kivalos
16	9/19/08	Augusto Escobar de Rodas	Citizens Bank account of Law Offices of Joseph Caramadre	First Nat'l Bank of Omaha, f/b/o TD Ameritrade	Wire transfer of \$19,000 into joint Ameritrade account of Escobar de Rodas
17	9/19/08	Sonia Gonzalez	Citizens Bank account of Law Offices of Joseph Caramadre	First Nat'l Bank of Omaha, f/b/o TD Ameritrade	Wire transfer of \$26,000 into joint Ameritrade account of Gonzalez
18	10/3/08	Donna Perotta	Citizens Bank account of Law Offices of Joseph Caramadre	First Nat'l Bank of Omaha, f/b/o TD Ameritrade	Wire transfer of \$12,000 into joint Ameritrade account of Perotta

19	10/31/08	Sandra Bulpitt	Estate Planning Resources	Western Reserve	Facsimile transmission of Delivery and Receipt Acknowledgment for annuity in which Bulpitt was the annuitant
20	2/2/09	Richard Wiley	Estate Planning Resources	TradeKing	Electronic submission of joint account application
21	2/10/09	Arthur Culotta	Citizens Bank account of Raymour Radhakrishnan	National Financial Service, LLC	Wire transfer of \$400,000 into joint Fidelity account of Culotta
22	2/18/09	Patrick Garvey	Citizens Bank account of Law Offices of Joseph Caramadre	First Nat'l Bank of Omaha, f/b/o TD Ameritrade	Wire transfer of \$105,000 into joint Ameritrade account of Garvey
23	2/24/09	William Hazelwood	Estate Planning Resources	Charles Schwab	Electronic submission of joint account application
24	3/27/09	Linda Barbeau	Estate Planning Resources	Charles Schwab	Electronic submission of joint account application
25	9/1/09	Bertha Howard	TD Ameritrade	Estate Planning Resources	E-mail of quarterly statement
26	9/30/09	Bruce Marshall	e-mail address of Radhakrishnan	Charles Schwab	statement of account in which Marshall was co- owner

Each in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1343 and 2.

## Counts 27-32 Mail Fraud 18 U.S.C. 1341

as if fully set forth herein, the General Allegations
(paragraphs 1-21), the Fraud Scheme (paragraph 23), the
Objects of the Scheme to Defraud (paragraphs 24-26), the
Manner and Means of the Scheme to Defraud (paragraphs 27-69)
and the Specific Instances By Which the Objects of the Fraud
Scheme Were Accomplished (paragraphs 70-163).

#### Execution of the Scheme: Mailings

On or about the dates specified below, in the District of Rhode Island and elsewhere, for the purpose of executing the aforementioned scheme and artifice to defraud, and attempting to do so, and aiding and abetting each other, the defendants,

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did knowingly cause to be delivered by United States mail or a private or commercial interstate carrier, according to the directions thereon, and receive from the United States mail or a private or commercial interstate carrier, the materials set forth below:

Count	Defendant(s)	Date	Terminally ill Person(s)	From	То	Material
27	CARAMADRE	1/2/09	Donald Duarte	Midland National	Т.М.	check for \$113,057 death benefit paid on death of Duarte
28	CARAMADRE RADHAKRISHNAN	1/5/09	Nathan Lee	Raymour Radhakrishnan	Pacific Life	letter exercising 20 day free look
29	CARAMADRE RADHAKRISHNAN	3/15/09	Richard Wiley	Estate Planning Resources	TradeKing	trading author- ization
30	CARAMADRE	4/2009	Getahun Aynalem	First Allmerica Life Insurance Company	А.Н.	variable annuity quarterly statement
31	CARAMADRE RADHAKRISHNAN	4/8/10	Denise Egan Doris Hoyle Betty Esser Margaret Orlyck	Caramadre	E*Trade	death certifi- cates
32	CARAMADRE	6/3/10	Alfred LaMonte	MetLife	John Doe#1	claim response letter

Each in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1341 and 2.

# COUNT 33 Conspiracy to Commit Offenses Against the United States 18 U.S.C. §371

- 167. The General Allegations contained in paragraphs one (1) through twenty-one (21) of this Indictment are realleged in this Count and are incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.
- 168. Beginning in or about July 2007 and continuing at least through August 2010, in the District of Rhode Island and elsewhere,

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did knowingly and willfully conspire with each other and with others known and unknown to the Grand Jury to commit and attempt to commit offenses against the United States as follows:

- a. Mail Fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1341;
- b. Wire Fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1343;
- c. Identity Fraud, in violation of 18
  U.S.C. § 1028(a)(7); and
- d. Aggravated Identity Theft, in violation of 18
  U.S.C. § 1028A(a)(1).

#### Objects of the Conspiracy

of the Scheme to Defraud which occurred subsequent to the formation of the conspiracy in or about July 2007 and continuing

through August 2010. Accordingly, the allegations in paragraphs 24-25, to the extent they concern events that took place in or after July 2007, are incorporated by reference and realleged as if fully set forth herein.

#### The Manner and Means of the Conspiracy

170. The Manner and Means of the Conspiracy were the same as the Manner and Means of the Scheme to Defraud which occurred subsequent to the formation of the conspiracy in or about July 2007 and continuing through August 2010. Accordingly, the allegations in paragraphs 27-30 and 33-69, to the extent they refer to the Manner and Means that took place in or after July 2007, are incorporated by reference and realleged as if fully set forth herein.

#### Overt Acts in Furtherance of the Conspiracy

171. The Overt Acts in Furtherance of the Conspiracy were the same as the Specific Instances By Which the Objects of the Fraud Scheme Were Accomplished which occurred subsequent to the formation of the conspiracy in or about July 2007 and continuing through August 2010. Accordingly, the allegations in paragraphs 89-120, 127-129 and 134-163 are incorporated by reference and realleged as if fully set forth herein.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 371.

## Counts 34-59 Identity Fraud 18 U.S.C. § 1028(a)(7)

#### Introduction

- 172. The Grand Jury realleges and incorporates by reference paragraphs 1-21 and 24-163 of this Indictment as if fully set forth herein.
- 173. On or about the dates set forth below, in the District of Rhode Island and elsewhere, the defendants,

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did knowingly transfer, possess and use, without lawful authority, means of identification, to wit, names, social security numbers, dates of birth, mother's maiden names, driver's license numbers, and state identification numbers of other persons, listed below, with the intent to commit, and to aid and abet each other, in connection with unlawful activity that constitutes a violation of Federal law, to wit, Wire Fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. 1343, and Mail Fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. 1341:

Count	Date	Defendant	Name of Individual Whose Means of Identification Was Used	Use of Means of Identification
34	12/20/06	Caramadre	Donald Duarte	Midland National Annuity Application
35	1/4/08	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	Patrick Garvey	Ameritrade Account Application
36	1/18/08	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	James Kimball	Ameritrade Account Application
37	2/1/08	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	Charles Perry	Ameritrade Account Application
38	2/1/08	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	Bertha Howard	Ameritrade Account Application
39	2/8/08	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	Antonio DeCastro	Ameritrade Account Application
40	3/4/08	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	John Lang	Ameritrade Account Application
41	3/4/08	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	Edwin Rodriguez	Ameritrade Account Application
42	3/19/08	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	Donna Perotta	Ameritrade Account Application
43	3/25/08	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	Michael Mallane	Ameritrade Account Application
44	4/8/08	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	Sonia Gonzalez	Ameritrade Account Application
45	4/22/08	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	Dennis Flori	Ameritrade Account Application
16	5/5/08	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	Augusto Escobar de Rodas	Ameritrade Account Application
17	6/17/08	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	Pia Bernardo	Ameritrade Account Application
18	6/13/08	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	John Kivalos	Ameritrade Account Application
.9	6/23/08	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	John Gonsalves	Ameritrade Account Application
0	6/27/08	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	Robert Cazeault	Ameritrade Account Application
1	6/30/08	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	Hattie Strobel	Ameritrade Account Application
2	8/11/08	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	Maria Nina	E*Trade Account Application
3	10/15/08	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	Sandra Bulpitt	Western Reserve Life Annuity Application

54	12/18/08	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	Nathan Lee	Western Reserve Annuity Application
55	2/2/09	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	Arthur Culotta	Fidelity Investments Account Application
56	2/2/09	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	Richard Wiley	TradeKing Acct. Application
57	2/24/09	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	William Hazelwood	Charles Schwab Account Application
58	2/26/09	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	Bruce Marshall	Charles Schwab Account Application
59	3/27/09	Caramadre Radhakrishnan	Linda Barbeau	Charles Schwab Account Application

Each in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1028(a)(7) and 2.

# COUNTS 60-64 AGGRAVATED IDENTITY THEFT 18 U.S.C. §§ 1028A(a)(1)

- 174. The Grand Jury realleges and incorporates by reference paragraphs 1-21 and 24-163 of this Indictment as if fully set forth herein.
- On or about February 1, 2008, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN submitted to Ameritrade an application to open a joint brokerage account in the names of W.C. and Bertha Howard. The signatures of Howard on the Ameritrade account opening documents are forgeries and were submitted to Ameritrade without Howard's knowledge or consent.
- 176. On or about April 8, 2008, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN submitted to Ameritrade an application to open a joint brokerage account in the names of CARAMADRE and Sonia Gonzalez. The application forms contain forgeries of Gonzalez's signature and

were submitted to Ameritrade without Gonzales' knowledge or consent.

- 177. On or about April 22, 2008, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN submitted to Ameritrade an application to open a joint brokerage account in the names of CARAMADRE and Dennis Flori. The application forms contain forgeries of Flori's signature.
- 178. On or about June 13, 2008, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN submitted to Ameritrade an application to open a joint brokerage account in the names of CARAMADRE and John Kivalos. The application forms contain forgeries of Kivalos' signature and were submitted without Flori's knowledge or consent.
- On or about June 17, 2008, CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN submitted to Ameritrade an application to open a joint brokerage account in the names of CARAMADRE and Pia Bernardo. The signatures of Bernardo on the Ameritrade account opening documents are forgeries and were submitted to Ameritrade without Bernardo's knowledge or consent.
- Rhode Island and elsewhere, defendants JOSEPH CARAMADRE and RAYMOUR RADHAKRISHNAN, during and in relation to the felony offenses of Wire Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1343) and Mail Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1341), did knowingly transfer, possess, and use, without lawful authority, means of identification of other persons, to wit names, social security numbers, dates of birth,

government issued driver's license and identification numbers of the individuals set forth below:

Count	Date	Identity Used	Use of Identity	Material
60	2/1/08	Bertha Howard	forged signature, name, social security number and date of birth	TD Ameritrade application
61	4/8/08	Sonia Gonzalez	forged signature, name, social security number and date of birth	TD Ameritrade application
62	4/22/08	Dennis Flori	forged signature, name, social security number and date of birth	TD Ameritrade application
63	6/13/08	John Kivalos	forged signature, name, social security number and date of birth	TD Ameritrade application
64	6/17/08	Pia Bernardo	forged signature, name, social security number and date of birth	TD Ameritrade application

Each in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1028A(a)(1) and (c)(5) and 18 U.S.C. § 2.

# COUNT 65 Monetary Transaction Derived from Specified Unlawful Activity 18 U.S.C. §§ 1957(a) and (b) (1) and (2)

- 181. The Grand Jury realleges and incorporates by reference paragraphs 1-21 and 24-163 of this Indictment in their entirety as if fully set forth herein.
- In or about December 2007, in order to conceal his involvement in the purchase of an annuity from Midland National, CARAMADRE purchased an annuity from Midland National by falsely and fraudulently purchasing the annuity in the name of

RADHAKRISHNAN. The annuity application falsely listed
RADHAKRISHNAN as the true owner of the annuity, despite the fact
that all monies deposited for this annuity were provided by
CARAMADRE. In addition, the death benefit paid on this annuity
was forwarded to CARAMADRE by RADHAKRISHNAN.

- 183. The Midland National annuity purchased by CARAMADRE in the name of RADHAKRISHNAN identified the annuitant as Denise Egan ("Egan"), a terminally-ill Rhode Islander. The application falsely described Egan as a "friend" of RADHAKRISHNAN.
- In order for the RADHAKRISHNAN/Egan annuity application to be accepted by Midland National, RADHAKRISHNAN was required to provide information concerning his employment and net worth. This information was required by Midland National, and Broker-Dealer Sammons, to ensure that the annuity was a suitable investment. CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN falsely informed Midland National and Sammons that RADHAKRISHNAN was employed at Networked Display Systems, that his annual income at Networked Displayed Systems was greater than \$250,000 and that his net worth was greater than \$1,000,000.
- On or about November 30, 2007, CARAMADRE wrote a \$20,000 check to RADHAKRISHNAN from a Citizens Bank account in the name of the Law Offices of CARAMADRE. RADHAKRISHNAN negotiated that \$20,000 check and deposited the proceeds into his Citizens Bank account. On or about December 1, 2007, RADHAKRISHNAN wrote a

check from his Citizens Bank account in the amount of \$20,000 to Midland National. This check accompanied the Midland National annuity application in the name of RADHAKRISHNAN with annuitant Egan.

- Check to RADHAKRISHNAN from a Citizens Bank account in the name of the Law Offices of CARAMADRE. RADHAKRISHNAN deposited that \$780,000 check into his Citizens Bank account. On or about February 25, 2008, RADHAKRISHNAN wrote a check from his Citizens Bank account in the amount of \$780,000 to Midland National.

  This \$780,000 check was for funds to be added to the Midland National annuity that had been opened the name of RADHAKRISHNAN with annuitant Egan.
- On or about February 4, 2009, Midland National paid the death claim submitted by RADHAKRISHNAN by issuing a check to RADHAKRISHNAN in the amount of \$883,743.72. RADHAKRISHNAN deposited this check into his Citizens Bank account.
- 188. On or about February 9, 2009, RADHAKRISHNAN wrote a check from his Citizens Bank account to CARAMADRE in the amount of \$883,743.72. On or about February 9, 2009, CARAMADRE caused that check to be deposited into his Citizens Bank account in the name of the Law Offices of CARAMADRE.

189. On or about February 9, 2009, in the District of Rhode Island,

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did knowingly engage and attempt to engage in a monetary transaction by and through or to a financial institution, affecting interstate or foreign commerce, in criminally deprived property of a value greater than \$10,000; that is CARAMADRE and RADHAKRISHNAN caused to be written a check from the Citizens Bank account of RADHAKRISHNAN in the amount of \$883,743.72 to CARAMADRE, such property having been derived from specified unlawful activity, that is Mail Fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1341, and Wire Fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1343.

In violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1957(a) and (b)(1) and (2).

#### COUNT 66 WITNESS TAMPERING 18 U.S.C. § 1512(b)(3)

- 190. The Grand Jury realleges and incorporates by reference paragraphs 1-21 and 24-163 of this Indictment as if fully set forth herein.
- 191. On or about April 19, 2010, a United States Postal

  Inspector (the "Postal Inspector") investigating this case
  telephoned T.M. and asked if he would speak with him in
  connection with an ongoing investigation of JOSEPH CARAMADRE.

  T.M. agreed to meet with the Postal Inspector.
- 192. Prior to T.M.'s meeting the Postal Inspector, T.M. called CARAMADRE and informed him that the Postal Inspector wished to speak with him about CARAMADRE. During this conversation, CARAMADRE falsely told T.M. that the money CARAMADRE had previously paid him was for work T.M. had performed in CARAMADRE's house.
- 193. On or about April 20, 2010, the Postal Inspector met with T.M. and asked him if a \$2,000 check he received from CARAMADRE was a payment for referring a terminally-ill individual to CARAMADRE. T.M. intentionally lied to the Postal Inspector, telling him that the check was not a payment for referring a terminally-ill individual to CARAMADRE, but rather was payment for construction work that T.M. had performed in CARAMADRE's house.

- 194. The information T.M. provided the Postal Inspector, at the behest of defendant JOSEPH CARAMADRE, was false in that the aforementioned check was not in payment for any work that T.M. had completed at CARAMADRE's house. Rather, the \$2,000 check was a payment CARAMADRE made to T.M. for referring a terminally-ill individual to CARAMADRE.
- 195. On or about April 20, 2010, in the District of Rhode Island, defendant

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did knowingly and corruptly persuade, and attempt to corruptly persuade another person, and engage in misleading conduct toward another person, with intent to hinder, delay and prevent the communication to a law enforcement officer of information related to the commission or possible commission of a Federal offense.

In violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1512(b)(3).

#### FORFEITURE ALLEGATIONS

#### The Grand Jury further charges that:

The allegations of Count One through Thirty-Two (paragraphs 1-166) are realleged and incorporated by reference herein for the purpose of seeking forfeitures pursuant to the provisions of Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C) and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c).

As a result of the offenses alleged in Counts 1 through 32 of this Indictment, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1341 and 1343,

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herein, upon conviction, shall forfeit to the United States any and all property, real or personal, which constitutes, or is derived from, proceeds traceable to such violations, including, but not limited, to the following:

- (a) the real property and buildings located at 90
  Beechwood Drive, Cranston, Rhode Island, having a
  deed recorded in Cranston City Hall, Cranston
  Rhode Island, said property having been purchased
  by defendant CARAMADRE on February 20, 2004;
- (b) one black 2009 Cadillac Escalade automobile, bearing Vehicle Identification Number 1GYFK26219R241982; said vehicle having been purchased by defendant CARAMADRE in 2009;

- (c) one white 2005 Rolls-Royce Phantom automobile, bearing Vehicle Identification Number SCA1S68495UX07761; said vehicle having been purchased by defendant CARAMADRE in 2005; and
- (d) one black 2007 Mercedes-Benz S550 automobile, bearing Vehicle Identification Number WDDNG86X37A147282; said vehicle having been purchased by defendant CARAMADRE in 2007.

In addition, the United States moves for a money judgment in the amount representing the remaining amount of criminally derived proceeds in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1341 and 1343 after taking into consideration the above described assets and funds already recovered from third parties.

#### Substitute Assets

If any of the property described above as being subject to forfeiture, as a result of the act or omission of a defendant:

- a. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- b. has been transferred, sold to or deposited with a third party;
- c. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;
- d. has been substantially diminished in value; or
- e. has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without difficulty; it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. 853(p), to seek to forfeit any other property of the defendants(s) up to the value of the property listed above.

All pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)
(C) and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c).

A TRUE BILL:/
Grand Jury Foreperson

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